

Governor's Commission for a Drug Free Indiana

A Division of the



Comprehensive Community Plan

County: Ripley

LCC: Ripley County Local Coordinating Council

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Plan Summary

Mission Statement: We believe in the basic goodness of all people and that the healthy development of our citizens is being threatened by the problems and challenges of today's culture. Our best chance of making a difference is through focusing on societal issues and wellness as they relate to the issues concerning the use of illegal and dangerous drugs. As concerned organizations agencies, and individuals, we serve the youth, adults, families, and the community of caring persons in and around Ripley County, Indiana. Therefore, we the Ripley County Local Coordinating Council Against Substance Abuse, act to coordinate existing services and networks, stimulate the development of new responses to issues, create community awareness and standards, and join together in advocacy for the improvement and maintenance of human services.

History: Ripley County, Indiana is a small rural community located in the southeast region of the state, bordering Dearborn, Ohio, Switzerland, Franklin, Jennings, Jefferson, and Decatur Counties. Ripley County has a rate of 13.1% of child abuse and neglect, of which an estimated 75% is associated with ATOD use. (The state average child abuse/neglect rate is 12.3%). The population in Ripley County is 27,700 with 99.6% of the population being white, less than .01% being African American and .09% representing the Hispanic population. Children represent 33.7% of the total population. Of that number, 14.3% are living in poverty. 15% of students qualify for free or reduced school lunches and/or textbooks. Ripley County Division of Children's Services received over 500 reports of child abuse and/or neglect last year, with over 65% of those being substantiated. The average annual income in this community is \$44,774.00. Unemployment rates in 2005 were 5.2%. Educational statistics are as follows: 7.9% of Ripley County residents have high school diploma or more. Only 11.5% of residents in this county have a bachelor's degree or above. Of the 4 county school corporations, only Batesville Community School Corporation performed a survey and compiled data using the Youth Risk Behavior Survey which yielded the following results:

46.9% of Batesville Middle School students report having consumed alcohol. 41% currently use alcohol. 73.9% of Batesville High School students report drinking with 51.9% of those reporting current use. 32.2% of Batesville Middle Schoolers report drinking before age 13. 5.6% of Batesville HS students report currently using chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip in the past 30 days. 32.5% of students have used marijuana and 21.3% say they continue to smoke pot. In the middle school, 9% say they have used marijuana at least once. Batesville High School's data showed that 30.9% have been offered, sold, or been given illegal drugs on school property and 5% have injected an illegal drug. No data was available for Milan, JacCenDel, or South Ripley School Corporations.

Smoking among pregnant women has increased as well. 22% of Ripley County mothers reported smoking during pregnancy.

Statistics reported by law enforcement provide a clear picture of alcohol use among drivers. In 2005, there were 116 OWI misdemeanor arrests in Ripley County with 33 felony arrests for OWI. Current drug related offenses were unavailable.

Ripley County LCC hired a part time coordinator 6 years ago and she continues to facilitate and plan for the council at this time. The county offers a newsletter for

distribution, has an exhibit for community events, has periodic speakers and sponsors Round Table events, assists in the providing of a consumer services booklet for the community, and distributes literature through a variety of methods to parents, students, and community members. Each community event sees an approximate distribution of 200 pieces of ATOD literature. The coordinator regularly attains new literature (95% of which is obtained without cost to the council) for distribution. Primary topics of interest are marijuana and drug use information for teens and parents and information on alcohol abuse and treatment. The coordinator also reports to the county commissioners and county council annually. Most every social service agency working with Ripley County residents has a representative on the LCC. Two of the four school systems are represented regularly at meetings. Youth involvement is of special concern to the LCC and has pledged to attempt to gather more input from this population. The Choices program which is implemented at Batesville HS is being introduced by the LCC in June to school administrators from the 3 remaining Ripley County schools who do not currently participate in this alcohol/drug abstinence agreement. It is hoped that each will adopt and implement this program in their corporations. Ripley County LCC is a small but diverse group that attempts to foster the engagement of community members, social service providers, intervention and treatment specialists, and members of the criminal justice and law enforcement community. There is a fair representation of law enforcement from several of the 8 agencies who serve our community, with 4 of those having regular representation. The council continues to recruit new members and to encourage involvement among schools, individuals and the faith based community. The council holds monthly meetings (except for July and December). Monthly minutes and agendas are sent to all members and other interested parties. Announcements regarding ATOD activities, projects, and other items or events of interest are distributed regularly in order to advertise their availability to schools, child care centers, faith based organizations, government, law enforcement agencies, social service providers, and the general public.

Summary of the Comprehensive Community Plan: This comprehensive plan represents a continuation of previously identified problems for Ripley County in the areas of prevention/education, intervention/treatment and law enforcement/justice. Although the plan is new, many of the problem statements are substantially the same as the previous plan.

The four problem statements identified for the 2006 plan are:

1. There is a high rate of ATOD use among youth and adults in Ripley County.
2. There is ongoing emotional/physical abuse of youth and adults in Ripley County, which is related to substance use.
3. Ongoing alcohol and drug violations among youth and adults strain the resources of local law enforcement/ justice departments.
4. Resources for treatment and recovery of ATOD addictions are underutilized in Ripley County.

Membership List

County LCC Name: Ripley County LCC

Name	Organization	Race	Gender	Category
Saralee Cumberworth	Family Connections	W	F	Social Services
India Turner	Ripley County DCS	W	F	Division of Childrens Services
Ric Hertel	Ripley County Prosecutor	W	M	Prosecutor
Terry Zinz	Southeastern Career Center	W	F	Education
Gina Sandlin	Safe Passage	W	F	Domestic Violence/Victim's Services
TC Reiman	Safe Passage	W	F	Domestic Violence Education
LouAnn Menchhofer	Purdue Cooperative Extension Service	W	F	Education
Dave Adams	Versailles PD	W	M	Law Enforcement
Rodney Stepleton	Osgood PD	W	M	Law Enforcement
Shannon Schmaltz	Ripley County Probation	W	M	Probation
Jim Roberts	Batesville School Corporation	W	M	Education
David Pippin	Ripley County Sheriff's Dept	W	M	Law Enforcement
Ryan King	Ripley County Prosecutor	W	M	Prosecutor
John Catalano	Ripley County Probation	W	M	Juvenile Probation
Trace Tucker	South Ripley School Corporation	W	M	School Counselor
Kris Wood	South Ripley School Corporation	W	F	School Counselor

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Problem Identification

Problem Statement #1: There is a high rate of ATOD use among youth and adults in Ripley County

Supportive Data:

- Some of the ATOD problem in Ripley County can be traced through drug and alcohol related offences as reported by Ripley County Probation and Ripley County Prosecutor's Office(s).
- Youth and adult alcohol and other drug related offences according to the Ripley County Probation Department are as follows: 2004: Substance Abuse Adults- 192, total on Adults Probation- 595; Juveniles Substance Abuse-43, total Juveniles on probation-87
- 2005 Ripley County Probation Department reported the following case load: Substance Abuse Adults- 270, total Adults on Probation- 495; Juveniles Substance Abuse-42, total Juveniles on probation-73
- Ripley County Probation reports that to date (August) in 2006 there are 145 juveniles under supervision; 64 of those minors are being monitored because of offences they've committed that were directly related to drugs and/or alcohol.
- Ripley County Prosecutor Ric Hertel reports the following for OVWI and Drug related cases: (OVWI= Operating While Intoxicated; PI=Public Intoxication; MC=Minor Consuming) C Misdemeanor - OVWI: 54 filings PI: 45 filings; MC: 37 filings Drugs: 27 filings. D Felony - OVWI: 23 filings; Drug: 6 filings. A Felony - None. B Felony - Drugs: 1 filing. C Felony - OVWI: 2 filings; Drugs: 1 filing
- Batesville Community School Corporation performed a survey and compiled data using the Youth Risk Behavior Survey which yielded the following results: 46.9% of Batesville Middle School students report having consumed alcohol. 41% currently use alcohol. 73.9% of Batesville High School students report drinking with 51.9% of those reporting current use. 32.2% of Batesville Middle Schoolers report drinking before age 13. 5.6% of Batesville HS students report currently using chewing tobacco, snuff, or dip in the past 30 days. 32.5% of students have used marijuana and 21.3% say they continue to smoke pot. In the middle school, 9% say they have used marijuana at least once. Batesville High School's data showed that 30.9% have been offered, sold, or been given illegal drugs on school property and 5% have injected an illegal drug.
- No data was available for Milan, JacCenDel, or South Ripley School Corporations.
- Smoking among pregnant women has increased as well. 22% of Ripley County mothers reported smoking during pregnancy according to Family Connections.

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Objectives:

- **Support alternative activities and prevention/education for all citizens.**
- **Continue to support programs that target “at-risk” populations and programs that partner youth with the community.**
- **Support health fair and educational activities focused on senior citizen issues**
- **Work to reduce illegal youth access to alcohol and tobacco.**
- **Support the 4 school systems in implementing the CHOICES program with Batesville School Corporation as the model.**

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Goals:

- All Ripley County school corporations will implement the CHOICES program to assist parents and students in selecting activities and parties which are alcohol and drug free.
- Decreased rate of substance use as reported by school surveys, mental health facilities, and smoking cessation program reports and by reports provided by Ripley County Probation and Prosecutor's Office(s).

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Problem Statement #2: There is ongoing emotional/physical abuse of youth and adults in Ripley County, which is related to substance use.

Supportive Data:

- Ripley County Division of Children's Services received over 500 reports of child abuse and/or neglect last year, with over 65% of those being substantiated.
- Ripley County has a rate of 13.1% of child abuse and neglect, of which an estimated 75% is associated with ATOD use. (The state average child abuse/neglect rate is 12.3%).
- Community Mental Health Services report that they have no Ripley County Schools staffed for school-based services therefore can provide no data in relation to our request.
- Through a collaborative effort with Prevent Child Abuse Ripley County, the LCC is working diligently with the Ripley County Prosecutor's Office, CMHS, and LifeWorks Counseling to bring a batterer's counseling program to our community. Further, these two groups are petitioning the judicial system to make this counseling mandatory for all offenders convicted of child abuse or domestic violence related crimes.

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Objectives:

- **Provide financial support for ATOD specific programs to the newly established women's shelter, Safe Passage, in Ripley County.**
- **Implement court ordered substance abuse assessment of anyone coming to court with accusations of child abuse and neglect.**

- **Provide affordable family counseling programs which would include court referral programs, and with coordination or identification of programs available for indigent families.**
- **Work collaboratively with CMHC to get school based services provided to students throughout Ripley County.**

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Goals:

- **Mandatory batterer's counseling as part of sentences for domestic violence and child abuse related offenders in Ripley County will be in place.**
- **Reduced number of domestic violence and child abuse cases in Ripley County courts that report Substance Use/Abuse as part of the case.**
- **Increases amount of ATOD education/prevention material and programs presented through collaborative efforts with social service providers throughout Ripley County.**
- **Have School Based Service available through CMHC for at least one school system in Ripley County.**

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Problem Statement #3: There are ongoing alcohol and drug violations among youth and adults strain the resources of local law enforcement/ justice departments.

Supportive Data:

- Statistics reported by law enforcement provide a clear picture of alcohol use among drivers. In 2005, there were 116 OWI misdemeanor arrests in Ripley County with 33 felony arrests for OWI. Current drug related offences were unavailable.
- The Ripley County Prosecutor's office reported that there were seven meth-related cases filed in 2004 and 2005.
- The Ripley County Probation Department reported the following case load in 2004: Substance Abuse Adults- 192, Total Adults on Probation- 595; Juveniles Substance Abuse-43, Total Juveniles on probation-87. 2005: Substance Abuse Adults- 270, Total Adults on Probation- 495; Juveniles Substance Abuse-42, Total Juveniles on probation-73

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Objectives:

- **Provide funding for the training and material needs of local law enforcement, probation and justice departments in dealing with substance abuse issues.**
- **Increase funding for DUI patrols.**
- **Support home visitation and home searches at probationers' homes and use of PBT's onsite.**
- **Support house arrest monitoring**

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Goals:

- **Reduced number of alcohol and drug related offences as reported by Ripley County Probation and Prosecutor's Office(s).**

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Problem Statement #4: Resources for treatment and recovery of ATOD addictions are underutilized in Ripley County.

Supportive Data:

- Lifeworks reported the following participation for Ripley County residents for 2005- 10 week drug/alcohol step one group- 31 participants, Adult chemical evaluations- 7
- Ripley County Drug and Alcohol Educational Program for adolescents- 23 participants, Adolescent treatment or evaluations- 18
- Community Mental Health Services currently offers no school based services at any of the 4 Ripley County Schools due to staffing problems.
- Systems of Care (One Community/One Family) has been up and running for approximately one year in Ripley County.

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Objectives:

- **Support the influx of detox bed facilities within the county to provide immediate access to detox treatment within the surrounding counties.**
- **Provide immediate access to detox treatment within the surrounding counties.**
- **Support legislation and provide financial support to the current mental health facilities in order to expand treatment and recovery services.**
- **Work to provide a full range of intervention, treatment and recovery/self help services to all who need them.**

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Goals:

- **Provide financial support for treatment and intervention programs available to Ripley County citizens.**
- **Have School Based Service available through CMHC for at least one school system in Ripley County.**

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Please attach the County's Fiscal Report for review!

Next Annual Update Due: August, 2007

Next Comprehensive Community Plan Due: August, 2009

Date of Community Consultant Review: September 29, 2006 - KSL

Disclaimer:

You agree that the information provided within this Plan is subject to the following Terms and Conditions. These Terms and Conditions may be modified at any time and from time to time; the date of the most recent changes or revisions will be established by the Commission and sent electronically to all Local Coordinating Councils.

Terms and Conditions:

The information and data provided is presented as factual and accurate. I hereby acknowledge that I can be asked to submit proper documentation regarding the data submitted within the Plan. Failure to do so could result in a "denied approval" by the Commission under IC 5-2-6-16.

The Local Drug Free Communities Fund must be spent according to the goals identified within the plan. I hereby acknowledge that I can be asked to submit proper documentation regarding funds that are collected, allocated, and disbursed within the county. Failure to do so could result in a "denied approval" by the Commission under IC 5-2-6-16.

Initials: sdh

Ripley County LCC Financial Report

Total Deposits, 2005, local drug-free communities fund- \$24,150

Total Deposits, YTD Jan-August 2006, local drug free communities fund- \$17,775

Fund Allocation-Spring 2006: \$28,000.00

Law Enforcement/Criminal Justice:

\$1,000.	Ripley County Prosecutor's Office	Training for prosecutor's staff
2,000.	Versailles Police Department	Trailer for Presentations

Prevention/Education:

\$1,500.	Prevent Child Abuse Ripley Co.	Operating Budget
1,500.	Family Connections	Tobacco Free Kids Prog.
1,500.	Batesville School Corporation	Choices Program

Intervention/Treatment:

2,800.	Ripley County Probation Office	
	Juvenile Substance Abuse Education/intervention program	
1,700.	Safe Passage	Training for staff
<u>\$16,000.</u>	<u>Operating Budget (to be equally disbursed from the three groups above)</u>	

(See breakdown below)

(Operating budget includes coordinator salary, materials, supplies, equipment, mileage reimbursement, phone/postage/internet services, event planning and conference fees, meeting expenses and meals and miscellaneous.)

Grants Awarded Spring 2006

Total number and dollar amount of grants requested in each of the three categories:

Requesting Agency	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded
Intervention/Treatment		
Ripley County Probation	\$3030.00	\$2800.00
Safe Passage Inc.	2500.00	1700.00
Prevention/Education		
Batesville School Corporation	2095.00	1500.00
Family Connections	1543.00	1500.00
Prevent Child Abuse	2000.00	1500.00
Law Enforcement/Criminal Justice		
Ripley County Prosecutor	1000.00	1000.00
Versailles Police Department	2500.00	2000.00

Administrative Budget (FY2006) is as follows:

Coordinator Salary: \$12,600.00
Postage/Internet/Telephone: 600.00
Mileage: 400.00
Meeting Meals: 1200.00
Events/Conference Fees: 400.00
Materials/Supplies: 400.00
Miscellaneous: 400.00

Total Allotment: \$16,000.00

Ripley County LCC Grant Process per By-Laws:

VI. Finances/Granting

9:1 No part of the net earnings of the Ripley County Coordinating Council Against Substance Abuse shall be used for the benefit of, or be disbursed to, its member's officers, or other private persons except for compensation of services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purpose set forth in these By-Laws.

9:2 The ESC shall have final budget and all monetary disbursement approval for the Council.

9:3 The Fiscal Year for the Council shall begin with the disbursement of funds in April toward approved grant applications Enforcement, and the remaining 25% may be used for any portion of the three categories.

9:4 The Council shall publish announcements regarding the availability of funds in February of each year. The grant applications will be made available and must be submitted by the designated due date. All requests for funds must be typewritten and completed in full. Any grant application not including all the required information and/or required documentation will be excluded from consideration. Projects requesting funds must address one or more of the needs outlined in the problem statements/recommended actions section of the Council's work plan.

9:5 All grant recipients must attend at least two meetings per year and must submit reports as follows: Grant recipients using funds for a one time purchase must submit a report within ninety (90) days of the date of approval as well as a final report at the end of the grant cycle. Grant recipients using funds for an ongoing project will be asked to submit a six (6) month report and a final report at the end of the grant cycle. Reports should be made in person to the council and should be accompanied by a written report for documentation purposes. Reports must be typewritten using the form provided.

(Copy of grant application, instructions, agreement, and report form available upon request.)